MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 3(D)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 25, 2006

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution waiving

Administrative Order 8-4; relating to the Civic Center and Marine Re-development

Project

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

County Attorney

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Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

DATE:

September 12, 2006

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

Ple	ease note any items checked.
·	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
•	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
·	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No.
Veto		9-12-06
Override		

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MANAGER TO UNDERTAKE NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALLAPATTAH BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, INC., A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION AND MERRILL-STEVENS TRAINING INSTITUTE, INC., A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION, FOR THE CIVIC CENTER AND MARINE RE-DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO BRING BACK THE RESULTS OF SUCH NEGOTIATIONS TO THIS BOARD IN NINETY DAYS

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is fortunate to be experiencing one of the greatest periods of economic prosperity and development in its history. It is unfortunate, however, that this prosperity has not been shared by all equally. Given the skyrocketing costs of construction and the scarcity of developable land, it is important that efforts be made to actively seek opportunities to address the crisis in affordable housing and workforce housing aggressively, while minimizing the costs to tax payers; and

WHEREAS, the County has received a proposal from Allapattah Business Development Authority, Inc., (a Florida not-for-profit corporation) in conjunction with The Related Group of Florida, and Merrill-Stevens Training Institute, Inc. (a Florida not-for-profit corporation) in conjunction with Merrill-Stevens Dry Dock Co. applying for conveyance and lease of County-owned lands in and around the Civic Center for the Civic Center and Marine Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified County-owned properties around the Civic Center as unique opportunities for the creation of housing designed for the general workforce community; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes the County Manager should be authorized to undertake negotiations for such project and authorizes a waiver of Administrative Order No. 8-4 therefor; and

WHEREAS, such negotiations should be conducted within the following parameters:

- 1. any conveyance or lease of County-owned land for the project shall be accomplished strictly under the provisions of Section 125.38 of the Florida Statutes which authorizes the County to convey land to not-for-profit entities for public or community interest and welfare;
- 2. the project should include a new, multi-level parking facility with a minimum of 2000 parking spaces and the potential for street level retail.
- 3. the project should include housing units to address the urgent needs of Miami-Dade County's work force with the deeds for such units to contain covenants and restrictions requiring both a minimum time period during which the use and sale of such units shall comply with specified eligibility requirements, as well as a formula which will allow a to-be-established County affordable housing fund to benefit from the resale of the units for a profit;
- 4. the project should include attainable home ownership units to be built and marketed primarily to working class, local residents. Such units must be owner-occupied for a period of time and multiple units will only be sold to a purchaser wishing to combine units for owner occupancy;
- 5. the project should provide that affordable rental units will only be rented to tenants who qualify under affordable housing guidelines if proper financing can be secured within 2 years of agreement from federal, state and local governments;
- 6. the project should include a minimum of 100 elderly rental units to be built in accordance with County Elderly Housing criteria;
- 7. the project should include a river view restaurant to be constructed for which a fee or share of the profits based on a to-be-agreed-upon formula will be paid to the County;
- 8. the project should make provision for a new home for the Miami River Commission to be incorporated in upstairs of the restaurant;
- 9. the project should include expansion and modernization of the Merrill-Stevens dry dock facilities both on the north and south sides of the Miami



River, including new pedestrian walkways allowing the public to observe the vessel repair and restoration activities as well as a river walk and expanded service docks to accommodate vessels up to 250 feet long weighing up to 2500 tons;

- 10. the project should include a new pedestrian Riverwalk and Greenscape to be built along the south River bank immediately west of the Merrill-Stevens and north of the Haley Sofge Towers. The proposers will work closely with the management and tenants of Haley Sofge in developing this amenity;
- 11. the project should include a new Marine Patrol sub-station;
- 12. the project should include a marine vocational training center to be developed which will include a Miami River Maritime exhibit that may be established in with the cooperation of the Historical Museum of South Florida;
- 13. the project should include a new, multi story office building on the south side of the State Attorney's office building property to provide office space essential to the operation of the courts and related programs and agencies in the Civic Center Area;
- 14. the project should include development of Mi Casita, a support home for children suffering from terminal illness to be funded by the International Kids Fund of the Jackson Memorial Foundation;
- 15. a traffic study shall be completed at no cost to the County to determine the impact and best method for mitigating the impact this development will have on the area's traffic;
- 16. the project should provide for construction of a Charter school if the impact of the project's residential units require additional resources;
- 17. the appropriate proposer shall pay the County \$1,000,000.00 for any conveyance of County-owned lands for the project. The negotiations shall address what, if any, additional cash and/or lease payments shall be made to the County as consideration for such conveyance and whether the County shall receive a possible equity participation either by holding a percentage of the ownership of the Project or by buying down the purchase price of residential units in order to reduce the purchase price to be paid by the purchasers thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby waives Administrative Order 8-4, authorizes the County Manager to undertake negotiations with the Allapattah Business Development Authority, Inc., a not-for-profit community development corporation and the Merrill-Stevens Training Institute, a not-for-profit corporation, for the development of the Civic Center and Marine Re-Development Project and directs the County Manager to bring back the results of such negotiations to this Board in ninety days.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as

follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro Audrey M. Edmonson Sally A. Heyman Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson Sen. Javier D. Souto Jose "Pepe" Diaz Carlos A. Gimenez Barbara J. Jordan Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa



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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 12th day of September, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:		
-	Deputy Clerk	

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.